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SUBJ : TRAVEL-ONLY GRANTS FOR OIL INDUSTRY STUDENTS

REFS : LAGOS 2881, STATE 072482

1. LAGOS OFFICE PHILLIPS OIL COMPANY RECEIVED FOLLOWING TELEX YESTERDAY FROM ITS MANAGER (WHO THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH SUBJECT PROJECT AND IS NOW VISITING PHILLIPS HEADQUARTERS IN BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA): QUOTE. PHILLIPS IS HAVING DIFFICULTY IN CONTACTING KNOWLEDGEABLE PERSONNEL IN STATE DEPARTMENT ABOUT VISA FOR THE TRAINEE (EZEDEMBAH) FROM UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN I UNDERSTOOD U.S. EMBASSY WAS TO PROVIDE RETURN AIR TICKETS FOR TRAINEE AND VALID U.S. VISA. ASK EMBASSY TO HAVE STATE DEPARTMENT PROVIDE D.S. BURR AT BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA, TELEPHONE: 918-661-5232, WITH VISA NUMBER. END QUOTE.

2. EMBASSY CANNOT FURTHER EXPLAIN THIS APPARENT FAILURE OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PHILLIPS, DEPARTMENT (CU), AND INS. ASSUME DEPARTMENT WILL PHONE MR. BURR IMMEDIATELY.

3. EMBASSY BELIEVED ON BASIS REFDEPTEL THAT STATUS WITH INS AND PROGRAM PLANNING FOR ALL THREE STUDENTS (NZEKWU AND OMOLE WITH PEXCON, AS WELL AS EZEDEMBAH WITH PHILLIPS) WAS PROGRESSING SMOOTHLY. WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE BY PRIORITY MESSAGE CONFIRMATION THAT ALL IS FALLING INTO PLACE. ALSO, PLEASE CONFIRM THAT FY 1974 FALLOUT FUNDS AVAILABLE AND UNCLASSIFIED

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SEND APPROXIMATE CALL-FORWARD DATES. THE THREE STUDENTS ARE

COUNTING ON THE PROJECT, AND ANY HITCH NOW WOULD BE VERY
EMBARRASSING TO EMBASSY AND AMCONSUL IBADAN.
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